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RESOULITION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RE: MODIFICATION OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE
SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT NO. MASS.
R-56 AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCLAIM BY CERTIFICATE
THESE MINOR MODIFICATIONS.

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority on September 23, 1965 and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on December 6, 1965; and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter 12 of said Plan entitled: "Modifications" provides that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority without further approval provided that the proposed modifications do not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Authority that the minor modification with respect to Parcel X-26 is consistent with the objectives of the South End Urban Renewal Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of Chapter 30, Section 61 and 62 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, with respect to minimizing and preventing damage to the environment;

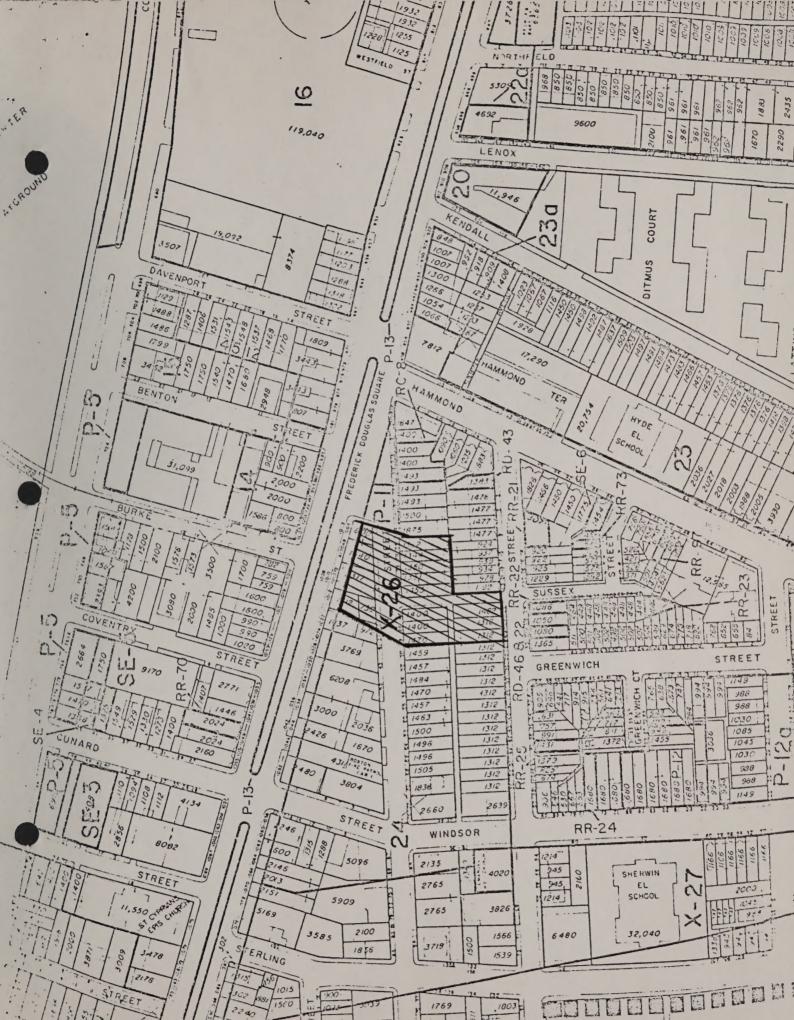
WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Plan is a minor change and may be adopted within the discretion of the Authority pursuant to Section 1201 of said Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY THAT:

Pursuant to Section 1201 thereof of the South End Urban Renewal Plan, Mass. R-56, be and hereby is amended by:

- 1. That Chapter VI, "Land Use and Building Requirements" is hereby modified by changing the Permitted Land Use on a portion of Parcel X-26 from Residential/Commercial development to Residential/Commercial rehabilitation, as shown on map #1, and each portion of Parcel X-26 to be described as Parcel SE-57.
- 2. That Chapter VI, "Land Use, Building Requirement and other Controls", Section 602, Table A "Land Use and Building Requirements" for the portion of Parcel X-26 shown on map #2 will be residential/commercial on the parcel described as Parcel SE-57.
- 3. That residential, residential/commercial portion of X-26 as shown on map #1 and now described as Parcel SE-57 will be subject to rehabilitation in accordance with Authority guidelines and controls.
- 4. That the proposed is found to be a minor modification which does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan;

- 5. That all other provisions of said Plan not inconsistent herewith be and are continuing in full force and effect;
- 6. That it is hereby found and determined that the proposed development will not result in significant damage to or impairment of the environment and further, that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.
- 7. That the Director be and hereby is authorized to proclaim by certificate these minor modifications of the Plan, all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Handbook, RHN 7207.1, circular dated June 3, 1970.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM:

ROBERT F. WALSH/DIRECTOR

SUBJECT:

SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT NO. MASS. R-56

PROCLAIMER OF MINOR MODIFICATION OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN

PARCEL X-26

SUMMARY:

This memorandum requests that the Authority:
(1) Adopt a minor modification of the South
End Urban Renewal Plan with respect to Parcel
X-26; and (2) Authorize the Director to proclaim by Certificate this minor modification.

Parcel X-26 in the South End Urban Renewal Area is bounded by Tremont Street, Warwick Street, former Parcel 24, Roxse Housing high rise to the south, and existing privately-owned residences, on Douglas Square, to the north. This parcel is proposed in the South End Urban Renewal Plan for Residential, Commercial, and Institutional development, and in part, to provide a set back area for the proposed twenty (20) foot widening of Tremont Street below Douglas Square. All structures on Parcel X-26 have been razed, except for #1002-1006 Tremont Street at the extreme northwest corner of the parcel.

Major transportation planning changes in this area, including the cancellation of the Inner Belt and Southwest Expressway, and replacement with the Crosstown and Southwest Arterial Street, indicate that no widening of Tremont Street will, in fact, be necessary.

The present use of the building at 1002-1006 Tremont Street, within Parcel X-26, as a neighborhood drug store, constitutes an important community service. The most appropriate disposition for this property now would be rehabilitation of the building, with retention of the existing pharmacy, and apartments on the upper two floors.

It is therefore proposed to modify the South End Urban Renewal Plan to provide for the rehabilitation of a portion of Parcel X-26, the existing Authority-owned building at #1002-1006 Tremont Street, for residential/commercial reuse. This will be identified as South End Parcel SE-57.

In the opinion of the Chief General Counsel, the proposed modification is minor and does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan or the feasibility of development of the rest of Parcel X-26. This modification may, therefore, be effected by vote of the Authority, pursuant to Section 1201 of the South End Urban Renewal Plan.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.